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Honorable Sandra L. Townes United States District Judge Eastern District of New York 225 Cadman Plaza East Brooklyn, NY 11201

Re: <u>United States v. Cournoyer, et al.</u>, 12-CR-65 (SLT)

Dear Judge Townes:

On behalf of Jimmy Cournoyer, I respectfully submit this letter to request that he be provided with a French interpreter at the upcoming status conference on May 1, 2012.

In addition, I respectfully request that the Court authorize the defendants and their counsel to hold a co-defendant meeting for all who wish to participate in the meeting rooms of the United States Marshals Service following the conclusion of the status conference on the same date.

Respectfully,

/s/

John Meringolo

Cc: All counsel (via ECF)